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To: Members of the staff

From: The Assistant Secretary-General for Human Resources Management

Subject: **1999 competitive examination for promotion to the Professional category of staff members from other categories**

Addendum

1. The purpose of the present addendum to information circular ST/IC/1998/61 of 9 September 1998 is to announce the addition of the occupational group of engineering and architecture to the list of occupational groups initially identified for the 1999 competitive examination. The addendum sets forth the specific entrance criteria applicable for the occupational group of engineering and architecture.

2. The written and oral components of the competitive examination for the occupational group of engineering and architecture will be held at the same time as those for the other occupational groups (see ST/IC/1998/61, para. 2). The written and oral components will follow the format outlined in paragraphs 14-31 of ST/IC/1998/61.

3. Owing to the special technical nature of the occupations of engineering and architecture, a staff member serving in the General Service and related categories, including the Field Service category up to and including the FS-5 level, who satisfies the eligibility requirements set forth in ST/IC/1998/61 may apply to take a competitive examination in engineering and architecture, provided he or she also satisfies the additional eligibility requirements stipulated in paragraph 4 below.

4. For the occupational group of engineering and architecture, all staff members, including those staff members who have served in the Secretariat for at least five years by 31 December 1998, must satisfy the following criteria:

(a) First-level university degree, equivalent to a bachelor's degree, in engineering or architecture;

(b) At least five years of service in a post with functions directly related to the occupation of engineering or architecture.

* Expiration date of the present information circular: 31 December 1999.

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Application

5. Staff members who wish to submit an application should complete the application form annexed to ST/IC/1998/61 and submit it with all required documentation to the Central Examinations Board at United Nations Headquarters by 18 December 1998. The staff member's most recent performance appraisal report, as well as copies of all university degrees, must be attached to the application.